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VIA ECFS

Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Revision of Part 15 of the Commission's Rules to Permit Unlicensed National Information Infrastructure (U-NII) Devices in the 5 GHz Band, ET Docket No. 13-49

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On June 1, 2016, representatives of the Satellite Industry Association ("SIA")¹ met with FCC staff to discuss the above referenced proceeding. At the meeting, the SIA representatives raised the fact that Fixed Satellite Service (FSS) is a co-primary user of the 5.85-5.925 GHz ("5.9 GHz") band, and encouraged the Commission staff to explore with the satellite industry the technical or policy issues regarding the addition of

¹ SIA is a U.S.-based trade association providing representation of the leading satellite operators, service providers, manufacturers, launch services providers, and ground equipment suppliers. Since its creation twenty years ago, SIA has advocated on behalf of the U.S. satellite industry on policy, regulatory, and legislative issues affecting the satellite business. SIA Executive Members include: The Boeing Company; The DIRECTV Group; EchoStar Corporation; Intelsat S.A.; Iridium Communications Inc.; Kratos Defense & Security Solutions; Ligado Networks; Lockheed Martin Corporation; Northrop Grumman Corporation; OneWeb; SES Americom, Inc.; Space Exploration Technologies Corp.; SSL; and ViaSat, Inc. SIA Associate Members include: ABS US Corp.; Artel, LLC; COMSAT Inc.; DigitalGlobe Inc.; DRS Technologies, Inc.; Eutelsat America Corp.; Global Eagle Entertainment; Glowlink Communications Technology, Inc.; Hughes; iDirect Government Technologies; Inmarsat, Inc.; Kymeta Corporation; O3b Limited; Panasonic Avionics Corporation; Planet Labs Inc.; TeleCommunication Systems, Inc.; Telesat Canada; TrustComm, Inc.; Ultisat, Inc.; and XTAR, LLC.

Unlicensed National Information Infrastructure (U-NII) devices into the band. The SIA representatives also indicated the need to protect existing FSS services from aggregate interference into space station receivers. In particular, the SIA representatives stated that a thorough technical assessment of the likely impact of U-NII devices on satellite receivers is necessary, and that such impact cannot be assumed to be negligible relative to any assumed impact that DSRC devices may cause to satellite receivers.

Present at the meeting on behalf of the satellite industry were: Tom Stroup (SIA); Charity Weeden (SIA); Susan Crandall (Intelsat); Petra Vorwig (SES); and Hazem Moakkit (Intelsat). Present at the meeting on behalf of the FCC were: Julius Knapp, Mark Settle, Ira Keltz, Matthew Hussey, and Howard Griboff.

Respectfully submitted,

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